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Bcc: Grantham, Nancy[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Mon 8/17/2015 2:38:29 PM
Subject: RE: Gold King Mine inquiry

Hullo Brian,

We'd be happy to help, but we may very well not be able to meet your deadline, based on the sheer number of inquiries we still have to respond to in the wake of the Gold King Mine spill. Perhaps we will, but I just wouldn't work on that assumption. I mean, we had people posting statements at 2:30 AM last Wednesday.

Is there any way you could extend your deadline?

In the meantime - and just to help determine who to send your query to, as routing is a BIG part of our response process - would you send me a list of questions? That would be a huge help.

Let me know. Give me a buzz if you want to discuss. Again, we're happy to help, but it may take a little while.

Thanks, R.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palmer, Brian [mailto:bpalmer@nrdc.org]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2015 10:19 AM
To: Press
Subject: Gold King Mine inquiry

Hello,

I'm a journalist with onEarth magazine, a publication of the Natural Resources Defense Council. I'd like to write an explanatory piece on a basic question: How do government mine inspectors do their jobs? In all the coverage of the Gold King Mine incident, I don't feel this has been adequately addressed.

Is there someone at EPA available to talk me through this basic process? I'm on a deadline of tomorrow (Tuesday) at 2 pm Eastern time. You can reach me at this email or at 212-727-4643.

Thanks very much for your help.

Brian